

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for lubricating a conveyor for transporting a container, the method comprising applying a curable-liquid composition to at least a portion of a conveyor part that comes into contact with the container and ~~non-thermally and non-radiatively curing~~ allowing the curable-liquid composition to harden into a solid or semi-solid coating by drying at room temperature, without thermal or radiative curing, to form a cured, substantially water-repellent, lubricating coating on at least a portion of the conveyor part, the curable-liquid composition comprising at least one hydrophobic polymer and at least one wax.

2. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the cured-coating comprises at least 10 weight percent wax based on the solid material content of the coating.

3. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the cured-coating comprises greater than 50 weight percent wax based on the solid material content of the coating.

4. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the cured-coating comprises at least 40 weight percent of the at least one hydrophobic polymer based on the solid material content of the coating.

5. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one hydrophobic polymer comprises a polyurethane.

6. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one hydrophobic polymer comprises an alkali soluble resin.

7. (currently amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the alkali soluble resin is a polymer made from ~~comprises~~ acrylic monomers, styrenic monomers or a mixture of acrylic and styrenic monomers.

8. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the liquid composition comprises a fluoropolymer.

9. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the liquid composition comprises a mixture of two hydrophobic polymers, and further wherein one of the hydrophobic polymers is an alkali soluble resin.

10. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the wax comprises carnauba wax.

11. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the liquid composition further comprises at least one additive selected from defoaming agents, anti-microbial agents, pigments, surfactants, wetting agents, and Zn oxide.

12-15. (cancelled)

16. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising reapplying the liquid composition to at least a portion of the conveyor part ~~or the container~~ to repair the lubricating coating.

17. (cancelled)

18. (currently amended) A method for lubricating a conveyor for transporting a container, the method comprising applying a liquid composition comprising at least one hydrophobic polymer to at least a portion of a conveyor part that comes into contact with the container and ~~non-thermally and non-radiatively drying allowing the curable~~ liquid composition to harden into a solid or semi-solid coating by drying at room temperature, without thermal or radiative curing, to form a substantially water-repellent, solid or semi-solid lubricating coating on at least a portion of the conveyor part, wherein the coating, as applied, has a coefficient of friction of less than 0.15, as measured by a short track conveyor test.

19. (currently amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the liquid composition further comprises at least one wax.

20. (currently amended) The method of claim 18 wherein, the solid-lubricating coating, as applied, has a coefficient of friction of less than about 0.14 as measured by a short track conveyor test.

21-24. (cancelled)

25. (currently amended) The method of claim 18 further comprising reapplying the liquid composition to at least a portion of the conveyor part to repair the lubricating coating.

26. (cancelled)

27. (currently amended) A method for lubricating a conveyor for transporting a container, the method comprising applying a eurableliquid composition to at least a portion of at least one part of the conveyor that comes into contact with the container and uringallowing the eurableliquid composition to harden into a solid or semi-solid to form a ured-lubricating coating on at least a portion of the conveyor part, wherein the eurableliquid composition comprises an alkali soluble resin, a hydrophobic polymer and at least one wax.

28. (original) The method of claim 27, wherein the wax makes up at least 5 weight percent of the coating based on the solid material content of the coating.

29. (original) The method of claim 27, wherein the wax makes up greater than 50 weight percent of the coating based on the solid material content of the coating.

30. (currently amended) The method of claim 27, and wherein the ured-lubricating coating, as applied, has a coefficient of friction of less than 0.15, as measured by a short track conveyor test.

31-34. (cancelled)

35. (currently amended) The method of claim 27 further comprising reapplying the eurableliquid composition to at least a portion of the conveyor part to repair the lubricating coating.

36. (cancelled)

37. (previously presented) The method of claim 27, wherein the alkali soluble resin has a number average molecular weight of no more than about 20,000 and the hydrophobic polymer has a number average molecular weight of at least about 30,000.

38. (previously presented) The method of claim 37, wherein the ratio of the alkali soluble resin to the hydrophobic polymer is from about 70:30 to 30:70.

39. (currently amended) A conveyor for transporting a container, at least a portion of a part of the conveyor coated with a ~~cured~~ lubricating coating formed by applying a ~~curable~~liquid composition to at least a portion of the conveyor part that comes into contact with the container and ~~non-thermally and non-radiatively curing~~allowing the ~~curable~~liquid composition to harden into a solid or semi-solid coating by drying at room temperature, without thermal or radiative curing, to form a ~~cured~~, substantially water-repellent, lubricating coating on at least a portion of the conveyor part, the ~~curable~~liquid composition comprising at least one hydrophobic polymer and at least one wax.

40. (cancelled)

41. (currently amended) A conveyor for transporting a container, at least a portion of a part of the conveyor coated with a ~~cured~~ lubricating coating formed by applying a liquid composition comprising at least one hydrophobic polymer to at least a portion of the conveyor part that comes into contact with the container and ~~non-thermally and non-radiatively drying~~allowing the composition to harden into a solid or semi-solid coating by drying at room temperature, without thermal or radiative curing, to form a substantially water-repellent, ~~solid~~ lubricating coating on at least a portion of the conveyor part, wherein the coating, as applied, has a coefficient of friction of less than 0.15, as measured by a short track conveyor test.

42. (cancelled)

43. (currently amended) A conveyor for transporting a container, at least a portion of a part of the conveyor coated with a ~~cured~~solid or semi-solid lubricating coating ~~formed by applying a curable composition to at least a portion of the conveyor part that comes into contact with the container and curing the curable composition to form a cured lubricating coating on at least a portion of the conveyor part, wherein the curable composition comprises~~ing an alkali soluble resin, a hydrophobic polymer and at least one wax.

44 - 48. (cancelled)